



Text Genre Checklist

In order for children to become proficient readers, they should have access to a wide variety of texts. One way to ensure this is to evaluate the types of reading material you have available to your 21st CCLC program participants. Review the list of text genres below and place a check in the box next to each that are represented in your available library. On the next page, identify titles and sources to fill in any gaps you identify.

Literature Characterized by Story Structures: Characters, Setting, Plot, Problem-Solution, Important events, and Theme	Fictional Narratives	Fables	K-12
		Fairy Tales	K-5
		Fantasy	K-5
		Folk Tales	K-5
		Historical Fiction	K-5
		Myths and Legends	K-12
		Realistic Fiction	K-5
		Science Fiction	K-5
		Tall Tales	K-12
		Short Stories	6-12
		Novels	6-12
	Poetry	Nursery Rhymes	K-5
		Poems	K-5
		Sonnets	6-12
		Free Verse	6-12
		Limericks	6-12
		Haiku	6-12
	Drama	Comedy	K-12
		Tragedy	K-12
		Melodrama	K-12
		Farce	K-12
Informational Text Characterized by expository structures: Print Features, Captions, Table of Contents, Index, Diagrams, Glossary, and Tables	Non-Fictional Narratives	Biography	K-12
		Autobiography	K-12
		Memoir	K-12
	Expository Structures Arguments/Opinions and Informative/ Explanatory Text	Description	K-12
		Sequence or Time / Order	K-12
		Compare and Contrast	K-12
		Cause and Effect	K-12
		Problem / Solution	K-12
		Essays	6-12
		Speeches	6-12
		Opinion Pieces	6-12
		Journalism	6-12
		Historical, Scientific and Other Documents for a Broad Audience	6-12



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Fill Your Gaps! Identify New Titles/Sources for Your Library

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K-5	Nursery Rhymes	
K-5	Poems	
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6-12	Free Verse	
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6-12	Haiku	
K-12	Comedy	
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